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## Americanism and Government Trip

The 2018 Americanism and Government Trip has just returned from Washington D.C. and was a huge success. 17 of the top winners of the A&G test were selected for this trip

to Gettysburg and Washington DC.

The American Legion trip is not like the typical 8th-grade trip most Ohio teens experience. We have a smaller group of students and fo-

cus on history, Americanism, and respect for the men and women who have given their lives for our freedom.

Our trip started on Monday, March 5th by visiting Gettysburg Military Park followed by dinner at The Dobbin House. The battlefield tour was a great way to learn the history of Gettysburg in a "hands-on" setting. The views were breathtaking and helped the team picture what things might have been like during the Civil War. Also, "you can never have too much Abraham Lincoln in Gettysburg."

Tuesday was one of the biggest highlights of the trip. The American Legion has placed a wreath at The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier every year since 1936. This year was no different. The young leaders visited many sites in Arlington National Cemetery, including the new headstone of former Marine Corp aviator, engineer, astronaut, and Ohio Senator John Glenn. Viewing the changing of the guard as well as placing the wreath at the tomb is always a very emotional highlight for The American Legion and the students. This year, Junior Carson McCorkle and Sophomore Haylie Vaughn were selected as the student wreath layers. They were accompanied by Department 1st Vice Commander Robert Schmitt

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### Americanism and Government Winners

#### 12TH GRADE

Cale Brackman  
Weston Lindner  
Makayla Aichholz  
Jacob Connolly  
Hannah Ackerman

#### 11TH GRADE-

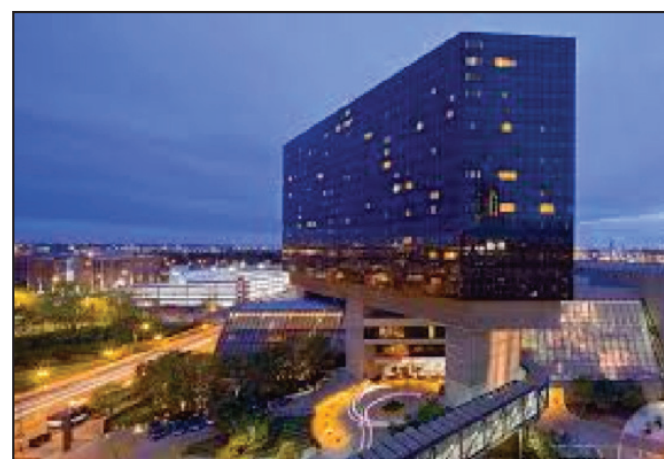
Carson McCorkle  
Jacob Lyons  
Evan Hannington  
Sophia Hagans  
Alexandria Baughman  
Julia Nutter

#### 10TH GRADE-

Nobel Zhou  
Rohit Kataria  
Cole Newsome  
Ava Carnegie  
Abigail Bonifas  
Haylie Vaughn



## 2018 Department Convention



The 2018 Department of Ohio Convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency Columbus: 350 N High St., Columbus, Ohio, 43215. Contact Phone Number is 614-463-1234. Convention will run from Friday June 29,

through Sunday July 1, 2018.

Be sure to reserve your Hotel Rooms by June 8th, 2018 Hope to see you all there!

All necessary forms can be found at: <https://www.ohiolegion.com/forms/>

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## 2018 Legacy Run Registration Now Open

Registration for the 2018 American Legion Legacy Run is now open online. Online registration is available via a credit card payment; those wishing to print and mail a registration form with a check or money order can also do so through the online process.

Online registration for riders and passengers will end Aug. 11.

The route for the 2018 American Legion Legacy Run, a cross-country motorcycle ride that raises scholarship funds, will both provide opportunities to honor fallen veterans and Legion Riders to interact with members from several American Legion posts coming up on their 100th birthday.

The Legacy Run will leave Hutchinson, Kan. – where Post 68 will host kickoff events – on Aug. 19 and arrive in Minneapolis for the 2018 National Con-

vention. The ride will make stops in Missouri, Iowa and Wisconsin before finishing Aug. 23 at Anoka Post 102 in Minnesota.

At various stops along the way Legion Riders will take part in wreath-laying ceremonies at various memorials and cemeteries, as well as make lunch and dinner stops at Legion posts whose charters all date between 1919-1921.

**The daily schedule of Legion post stops is:**

**Aug. 19** – Department Hutchinson, Kan., Post 68; lunch and dinner stops in Independence, Mo., Post 21.

**Aug. 20** – Lunch stop at Post 100, Maryville, Mo.; dinner stop at Spencer Post 1, Iowa.

**Aug. 21** – Lunch stop at Post 56, Albert Lea, Minn.; dinner hog roast hosted by ALR Chapter 91, Austin, Minn.

**Aug. 22** – Lunch at Post 92, Rochester, Minn.; dinner stop at

Post 336, Onalaska, Wis.

**Aug. 23** – Conclusion of ride at Anoka (Minn.) Post 102.

Riders also will visit the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library, the Indian Motorcycle Factory and the Spam museum.

Check back at [www.legion.org/](http://www.legion.org/) riders or at the National American Legion Riders Facebook page for updates and registration information.

The Legacy Run raises money for The American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund, which provides college assistance for the children of U.S. military personnel killed on active duty on or after Sept. 11, 2001, as well as children of post-9/11 veterans with a combined VA disability rating of 50 percent or higher.

The 2017 Legacy Run raised a record \$1,224,653 – the fourth straight year the ride raised more than \$1 million.

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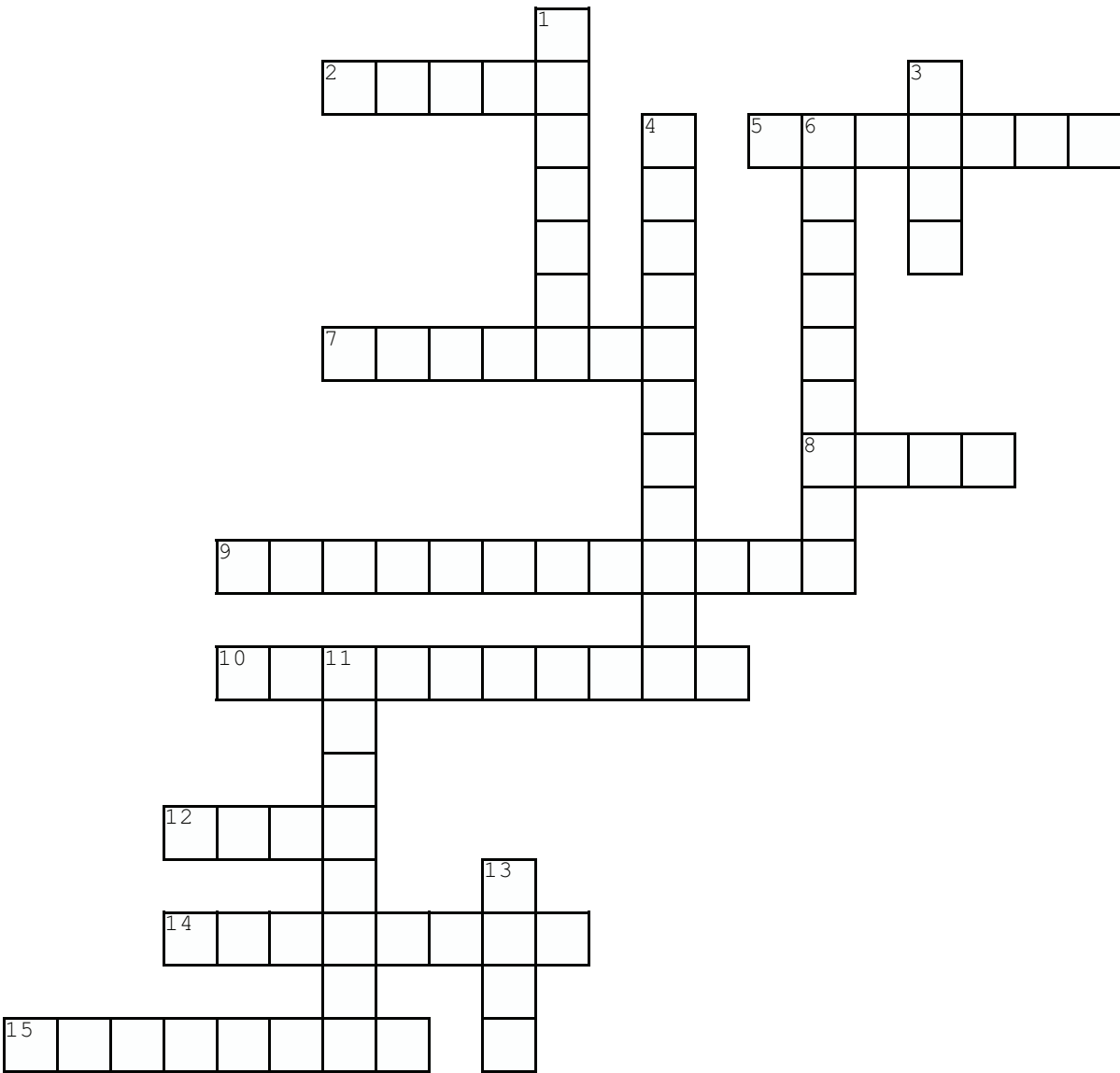
# Department of Ohio Receives Check from Legionnaire Insurance Trust

On April 16, 2018 in Tucson Arizona Department Commander Stanley Pleasant accepted a check from the Legionnaire Insurance Trust for \$ 88,928. The Check was presented at the annual LIT trustees meeting in Tucson Arizona. This marks the Department's 50th year as a member of the Legionnaires Insurance Trust. The Legionnaire Insurance Trust has been working hard for over 50 years to bring you and your family a variety of products that help you financially prepare yourself for the worst. For example, if you find you or your spouse in the hospital the Hospital Help Plan can pay you benefits while you are in the hospital. Our Cancer Care protection plan pays you to help fight cancer and speed your recovery. As a Legion member you are eligible for up to \$5000 in benefits at no cost. To learn more about these products and more, visit us online at [www.TheLIT.com](http://www.TheLIT.com) or give customer service representatives a call at 1-800-235-6943 and we'd be happy to assist you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Complete the crossword below



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- Across**
- 2. The Battle of the \_\_\_\_\_ was the largest battle fought on the Western Front in Europe during World War II
  - 5. Their motto. 'Semper Fidelis' ( often abbreviated as Semper Fi'), means 'always faithful'
  - 7. This U.S Military base was won as a result of the last major battle in Japan.
  - 8. This modern vehicle was invented to circumvent trench warfare.
  - 9. The \_\_\_\_\_ Proclamation is an executive order that was issued by President Lincoln in 1863.
  - 10. The \_\_\_\_\_ was the name of the ship which sunk during the Battle of Hampton Roads.
  - 12. The United States celebrates its independence each year on the 4th day of this month.
  - 14. The name of the first official American State.
  - 15. The U.S. Air Force Academy is located in this state

- Down**
- 1. This southeastern state was the last to return to the Union after the Civil War.
  - 3. The U.S Military is made up of how many fighting branches?
  - 4. U.S Armed forces invaded this country following terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.
  - 6. National US Military Cemetery Located in Virginia.
  - 11. The United States Naval Academy is located in this State.
  - 13. The first branch of the U.S Armed Forces to be created.





## DEPARTMENT COMMANDER



Stanley A. Pleasant  
Dept. Commander

This is my last time to address you in the Ohio Legion News. It has been an honor to serve you this year. It has been my pleasure to represent you as I have traveled around the State of Ohio, and beyond. I have enjoyed every minute of my tenure. I believe Ohio is the best department in the American Legion.

One of my goals this year was to start a change in the culture of the American Legion in the Department of Ohio. I did not expect the change to take place in my year; however, I wanted to plant the seed of change. If we do not change, this great institution called the American Legion will disappear. The majority of our membership comes from the Vietnam War era. We need members from all war campaigns. To do this, we must be willing to listen to their ideas. We must take the role of mentorship. Our goal should, not be to do it the way we did it. Our goal should be to pass on what should be done,

and help them get it done using their methods. As long as they do not violate American Legion policy, we should help them. If they violate American Legion policy, we must correct them and tell them why it is wrong. We must remember that the methods they were trained with may have changed slightly from the way we were trained when we were on active duty. We owe them the benefit of doubt. We owe them the right to be heard. Most of all, we owe them our respect. The same respect we demanded. We must remember that these young veterans have come home with different challenges. The War on Terror exposed them to different conditions. We MUST respect their service as we wanted our service respected. If we try to get them to do it our way, that is the wrong answer. The American Legion needs them, and they need the American Legion. We MUST be able to get them to realize this point.

Each member must adopt the recruiter mentality. We are all recruiters. In order for the American Legion to get back to 2,000,000 members, we must

take this to heart. Invite members to your post activities. We are not a bar. We must break this stereotype. Learn the history of the American Legion. The American Legion wrote the original G I Bill. At the time it was passed by Congress, it was considered the greatest piece of legislation of its time. The G I Bill is credited with starting the middle class. The American Legion has given so much to our society. But, we our worst publicist. We do not toot our own horns. We have a rich history, and that history must thrive and continue. America cannot survive without the AMERICAN LEGION. We must help our legacy stay alive until we can get the Iraqi and Afghan war veterans ready to take the reins. That means we should introduce and mentor them.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you, and the State of Ohio. Thank you for your support. Thank you to The Thundering 3rd District. Thank you to Chap-pie James Post 776. I have had a great year. You have taught me so much. Thank you!!! Thank you!!! Thank you!!!

### Can you get the Department Commander to your Post event? ...Absolutely

Each year one Legionnaire is elected to serve as our Department Commander. The Commander is our representative and travels the State speaking to communities about our great organization. If you would like to have the Department Commander attend your event, simply write a request to the Department Adjutant at the mailing address below or email the request to

legion@ohiolegion.com, subject: Commander Speaking Request.

The Department Adjutant will contact you following receipt of the request and coordinate times and locations.

The American Legion  
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Delaware, OH 43015



### MEMBERSHIP ADDRESS UPDATES

At The American Legion Department of Ohio, we are now using Salesforce to store and maintain our member information. We want to be able to send Happy Birthday wishes, event notifications, among other things. In order to do this, we need accurate

home addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers. We need your help; unfortunately, we are missing a lot of member data and/or have incorrect member data. Please visit <http://ipsite.org/3yk1> to update your information. Thank you.



## 1st VICE COMMANDER



Robert Schmitt  
1st Vice Commander

Greetings to all of you members! For those of you who have paid your dues, Thank You. If you paid your dues prior to January 1, 2018, I offer a Special Thank You; you make Membership an enjoyable responsibility. A Very Special THANK YOU goes out to all of you who paid your dues before Veterans Day. You also make working Membership very enjoyable. I would like to suggest to all of you to please consider paying your dues online to the National website Legion.org, click on renew and follow the prompts. You can pay with your credit card, and you can even set up an automatic renewal of your dues every year, and that will happen every July. Following this method WILL STOP THOSE PESTY DUES NOTICES that keep coming while waiting for the dues to process through the system.

We were doing well on our different membership goals until we had to have 90% of our Quota. At this point, we had sufficient membership cards turned into National, but they were in various stages of processing which caused us not to get credit for them, they needed to be received sooner. 90% was needed for the March Turn-in, for the April Turn-in we needed to have 95% and needless to say we did not make that

goal either. So, as I look toward the end of our 2018 Membership Drive, I am working with the District officers to get to the Post Officers to try to get all of their unpaid members to pay their dues as soon as possible. In reality, my best effort needs to happen right here. This Newspaper goes to every one of you, and I am pleading with each one of you to pay your dues RIGHT NOW if you have not done so. We need every one of you as members. Each of us has earned the right to belong to Great War-Time Organization, and we all joined because of our pride in our service to our County, so please pay your dues immediately if you have not paid for 2018.

The new membership cards will be coming out in June, and you can start paying them online at [Legion.org/renew](http://Legion.org/renew) or if you are registered on MyLegion.org.

I thought that this year's Membership quota of 94,000 would be easy to achieve because as of December 31, 2017, we had 99,940 members paid up for the 2017 Membership year. I do want to reiterate that each of you that have not paid your dues for 2018 are suspended, but that can be easily fixed just by paying your dues now, and your Post will accept them.

I do want to make everyone aware that due to the decline in membership that dues increase is being considered. I must stress that we do not want to do this,

but the financial stress on the Department of Ohio created by the decline in membership is what is fueling this need to raise our dues. The Department of Ohio has not had a dues increase since 2003. How can we prevent this, easily get more members in each Post? We need to stop the decline and start increasing the number of members, and we especially need to get the younger veterans to join and take on the leadership roles at the Posts.

Post Commanders and Adjutants; we need you to get set-up with MyLegion.org so that you can process your Post membership every day. Those Posts that are doing their membership online, do it every couple of days to keep up-to-date. It is SAFE and SECURE and it will save you time and money. Again, NO CHECKS to write, NO POST-AGE for mailing the cards to Department. Please try it; you can always go back to the old historical way.

One last item to mention, to get your 2019 Membership Cards you need to Certify your Post Officers and that can be done online at [OHIOLEGION.COM/FORMS](http://OHIOLEGION.COM/FORMS) and the second item is completing the Consolidated Post Report.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your 1st Vice Commander for 2017 – 2018 Membership Year. I hope to see many of you at the Department Convention in Columbus.

—For God and Country



## 2nd VICE COMMANDER



Roger Friend  
2nd Vice Commander

Greetings Legionnaires from your 2nd Vice Commander. Now that spring has sprung hopefully mother nature will give us pleasant weather on in to summer. The State Oratorical Completion, the State Pool Tournament and the State Euchre Tournament at Post 262 Hamler Ohio where latest events held, the Oratorical was on March 25th at Department HDQ. With Renee Betterson winning the competition and representing Ohio at the National competition

where she made it to the semifinals. The State Pool Tournament was on April 21st & 22nd at Post 29 in Zanesville Ohio with David Vickers winning the singles and David Vickers & Shane Albaugh winning the doubles. Upcoming events are the SAL Convention in Independence Ohio the 18th 19th and 20th of May along with the Department Convention June 29th 30th and July 1st. Golfers keep in mind the State Golf Tournament will be held in Lockbourne Ohio on August 11th & 12th Hosted by the 12th District. Hope to see everyone at these events.

For God and Country

Happy  
★  
Memorial  
★  
Day







## ADJUTANT UPDATE



Suzette Heller  
Interim Adjutant

Your Department Headquarters has endured a great many feat since May 2015 that began with the "Great Fire", then the loss of Shirley's husband Harold immediately following, followed by the unfortunate ailment of Past Adjutant Roger Hight, which led to his retirement and passing into Post Everlasting in January of this year. There have been many other significant transformations in between and we have experienced change on a consistent basis. As your Interim Adjutant, I extend myself to you and ask for your support and confidence of the staff and Officers at your Department HQ. WE WILL weather the most recent change efficiently and effectively. I would like to give a personal best to our Department Commander Stanley Pleasant, 1st Vice Commander Bob Schmitt, and 2nd Vice Commander Roger Friend, for the challenges they have endured this past year. All three of these gentleman have contributed greatly both time and resources to steering this ship through some rough waters.

In February of this year at Washington Conference in D.C., I had the privilege of sitting in

the Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (VA&R) Commission meeting and listened to updates from the Department of Veterans Affairs. The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) Chief Tom Murphy said something very profound that resonated deeply and that is "The American Legion is the keeper of tradition...". It was in that moment I realized how true that statement really is and went so far as to ask myself exactly what traditions he was referring to. I challenge you to ask yourself the same question. What traditions are we the keepers of? Are we passing these traditions onto others? Are there some traditions that no longer apply and should we let go in order to best serve The American Legion and the veteran? Are there new traditions that we should allow our newest members to create? These questions and many more are relevant to leading The American Legion into another Century.

I look forward to our 100th Department Convention that is right around the corner. Through the Legislative Commission at Department HQ, we are working on securing the two Gubernatorial Candidates for Governor of Ohio, Mike DeWine (R), pending confirmation, and Richard Cordray (D), confirmed, to host a Town Hall style meeting open

to Legionnaires immediately following the General Session on Saturday, June 30th. We also expect every American Legion Veteran Service Commissioner to attend that meeting in order to foster our relationship with these folks who work very hard in our County Veteran Service Commission Offices and represent this fine organization. We cannot exist separately. We MUST work as a team.

I cannot thank Department Commander Stanley Pleasant for choosing VA&R as his project this year and commend him on creating awareness of our VA&R offices throughout the state and what our Department Service Officers are doing on behalf of disabled veterans. VA&R will continue as a theme into the 2019 year with a focus on Military and Veterans Treatment Courts that will recognize our struggling veteran men and women who may be battling addiction, mental health, and challenges faced during transition. We look to you for time, as a mentor in a court at your county veterans court and there will be more to come regarding this matter.

On behalf of the Department Staff – THANK YOU and we look forward to working TOGETHER as a TEAM!



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Jim Vaughan  
Department Chaplain

As I write this column I can't help but look back at 2017 and think of how busy my first year has been as Department Chaplain. I have met many new friends in the Department. The thing that has impressed me the most is how they sincerely care about the American Legion and all its programs. I had the honor to perform the Funerals for Past Department Chaplain Michael Davey, and recently J. P. "Pat" Hone, Honorary Past Department Commander and Department Adjutant passed, it was clearly obvious he was loved and respected by his family, friends and fellow Legionnaires had nothing but total respect for him.

Those of you that might have been in the first Department Executive Committee DEC meeting in introducing myself I stated that I couldn't Marry you, but I can bury you, please don't take that seriously.

In closing let me leave you with this – a couple of prayers that hit me as relevant to our time in history.

### Chaplain Corner Prayer

*Almighty God, unto thee we turn in prayer in these crucial*

*times. Grant us wisdom and understanding so that we may continue to pursue the paths toward the brotherhood of man and lasting peace. Help us remove all intolerance and bigotry from our midst. Fervently we invoke thy blessing upon our country and all who are entrusted with its welfare. Inspire them to continue their valiant and noble efforts to guard this great land from every enemy, pestilence and sorrow. Fortify us with determination, a better world in our time, and thy kingdom of truth, justice, and peace shall prevail over all the earth. Amen*

*(Rabbi Daniel Lowy)*

### AGAINST VIOLENCE

*O My God, our prayers, please hear; why must we live in constant fear?*

*The murderers roam the streets by day, as they kill and are on their way:*

*No reason needed – they kill and kill; how long must decent people just sit still?*

*Instead of violence, teach them some good, for the teaching of God brings brotherhood. Amen*

May the Lord Bless you and Keep you and never forget that phrase we use in the Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion, you know, the one we say when we start meetings,

For GOD and Country.



## DEPARTMENT HISTORIAN



Elizabeth  
Kendrick-Creech  
Historian

The 2017-2018 Department of Ohio History Book Contest and then the National Contest is coming up. For History Books to be entered in the contest they need to be to Department Headquarters not later than 3 Aug 2018, if mailed, or if hand carried to Department received not later than 10 am 4 Aug 2018. History Book judging will be held during the DEC Meeting scheduled 4 Aug 2018..As I sit here it occurred to me that there may be

some posts, counties, and/or districts that haven't started to record your 2017-18 American Legion year history. If you are one of them, don't let this appear to be a daunting task. There is still time to get a history book put together. It is what happened from one election to the next, a year in the life of your Post. I encourage you to go ahead and start small. Try using meeting minutes as your content framework. Following the Narrative or Yearbook style outlines in the 2017 Officers Guide and Manual of Ceremonies on pages 147-156. A copy may be found at <http://www.mylegion.org>; - Resources;

Guides/Handbooks.

As you compete the information take a look at the National Judging Standards, one for each style is provided in the guide. No matter what style you choose the time spent will prove to be a valuable investment for your Post the years to come even if you don't submit it into this year's contest. GOOD LUCK

Don't forget the National Centennial Celebration website (<http://www.centennial.legion.org>) still need Department of Ohio Posts to register and add your Post and its history.

*For God and Country*



## JUDGE ADVOCATE



Doug Whitney  
Judge Advocate

Another season of political campaigning is upon us. It will be great if every Legionnaire tries to become informed on the issues and the candidates, and more importantly, exercises the right to vote. However, we must be careful that we do not misuse our Legion membership in that endeavor. Our National and Department of Ohio Constitutions state that "The American Legion shall be absolutely nonpolitical and shall not be used for dissemination of partisan principles or for the promotion of the candidacy of any person seeking public office or preferment."

So what does this mean? It means, in a statement by the National Headquarter, that "It is not an individual Legion member's decision on the appropriate use of the cap and emblem. If attending a political event, the American Legion Cap, or any clothing with the emblem visible, should be removed so as not to imply endorsement by the American Legion.

The problem is the assumption of endorsement by those who see the emblem or name worn at an improper location, such as a partisan rally." In other words-"check you cap at the door." That statement was made before the popularity of social media, like Facebook and others. However, the same policy applies. It is improper and a violation of our Constitution to post partisan statements which comment of the fitness of any candidate for office or current office holder, or the acts or position of any political party on social media, including internet sites set up by members of the American Legion Family and which uses the name or emblem of the American Legion on the site or page. To misuse this valuable technology to promote a partisan agenda is to jeopardize our continued ability to use the internet to the benefit of the Legion. To be sure, the Legion does take public positions on issues and legislation directly related to veteran's benefits, but that is always done in a non-partisan way, without promotion or criticism of any candidate or political party. Let us all remember that in the coming months.

### March 15, 1919 –

#### Fourteen Ohioans were official Delegates to the Paris Caucus that created The American Legion. Attendees included:

Colonel Leonard Ayres, Cleveland	Lieutenant Colonel Wayman Lawrence, Columbus
Lieutenant Colonel Ralph Findlay, 37th Division	Major Thomas H. Thomas, Dayton
First Lieutenant Robert Flora, Cincinnati	Lieutenant Colonel Hubert Turney, Cleveland
Major Samuel Fuller, Cleveland	Colonel Charles Waybrecht, Alliance
Major George Geran, Marion	Major Ray Chalfant, Barnesville
Second Lieutenant Howard Ginn, Sidney	Captain William Dick, Columbus
Colonel Roger Morris, Cincinnati	First Lieutenant Glenn Miller, Ashland





## VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

# The Cleveland VARO Team Gears up for Veterans Hearing... What is the Hearing Process?

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The Cleveland VARO's Department Service officers are ready for the influx of Decision Review Officer (DRO) and Board of Veterans Appeals (BVA) hearings. With the shift in the weather hearings are back into full swing. It is our intent as American Legion Department Service Officers to provide each veteran with the best representation possible. We do not take lightly the trust placed in us by our veterans. During the months of May and June the Cleveland VARO team will review, prepare, and brief 38 BVA Hearings and 20 DRO Hearings for Ohio veterans.

### The Hearing Process

How does this process work? The DSO's at the Cleveland Office are each assigned a group of veterans by the last 2 digits

of their social security number. The cases are assigned as follows: Adam Zaebst 00-24, Bill Genochio 25-50, Michelle Jones 51-76, and Will Brown 77-99. These may change as needed to adjust to the needs of the office.

Once the veteran's hearing has been placed on the docket / calendar they will receive a letter from the VA noting the date, time, and location of the veterans hearing (Cleveland, Cincinnati, Huntington). The DSO assigned to the veteran's case will reach out to the veteran. Usually this is done roughly a week prior to the scheduled hearing. When the DSO reaches out to the veteran they review the case with the veteran and ask questions regarding the appeal with the veteran. If you, the veteran, have evidence and or information supporting your appeal it will be obtained during this phone conference.

### Day of the Hearing

On the day of the hearing, it is requested that the veteran arrive to the appointed location listed

on the VA letter one hour prior to the appointed time.

(\*Note: BVA Hearings are first come, first serve for assigned time, DRO hearings have a specific time assigned). Upon arrival at the Cleveland VARO, check in on the 10th floor with the VA. After checking in head to room 923 on the 9th floor to see your DSO. For Cincinnati and Huntington, you will check in and be seated in the waiting area. If you need to discuss your hearing with your DSO call 216-522-3504.

### During the Hearing

The Judge /DRO will open the hearing by having the veteran take an oath. The hearing is then turned over to the DSO to present the veterans case and to elicit testimony from the veteran referring to the veteran appeal. The Judge or DRO may ask you clarifying questions, this is not a cross examination as the hearings are to be non-adversarial. The Judge / DRO will end the hearing once all testimony has been taken and questions have

been asked. No decision will be made at the hearing.

### After the Hearing

At the completion of your hearing all documents submitted will be entered into the VA's system and the recording from the hearing will be sent out to be transcribed. For DRO hearings once the transcript is received if the DRO can grant, a notification letter will be sent to the veteran explaining the decision. If the DRO cannot grant a Statement of the Case (SOC) will be sent to the veteran with a Form 9. If the veteran still wishes to continue the appeal process, they must submit the Form 9 within 60 days of receiving the letter assistance with filling out the Form 9 can be found by calling the American Legion at 216-522-3504. For BVA hearings once the transcript comes back the appeal is placed back on the Boards Docket and is reviewed by the Judge that heard the hearing once the docket number comes up. If the Judge can grant, a BVA decision is sent to the veteran

explaining the grant. The case is then sent back to the Regional Office to assign a rating percentage and determine any back pay if warranted. If the Judge denies the case, a BVA decision will be sent to the veteran explaining the denial and the next steps.

### After Thought

The DSO's at the Cleveland VARO take great pride in the work we provide for our veterans. It is our pleasure to represent the veteran, surviving widows or dependents during the appeal process. We understand that this process is often confusing and long going. We appreciate your patience throughout the process.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the DSO's (Adam Zaebst, Bill Genochio, Michelle Jones and Will Brown) at 216-522-3504 or at 1240 E 9th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44199. God Bless and thank you for your service to this great Nation.

## Homeless Veteran Standown

If you have never attended an Homeless Veterans Stand Down, now is your chance. This is an opportunity for you to find out perhaps what your VA is doing to help our Homeless Veterans, get help

if you need it, or perhaps Volunteer to help at a local Stand Down. Cincinnati VAMC is hosting their annual Stand Down on June 20th at Memorial Hall 1225 Elm Street Cincinnati from 10 am to 3pm.

## VA Expands Telehealth by Allowing Health Care Providers to Treat Patients Across State Lines

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced a new federal rule that will allow VA doctors, nurses and other health-care providers to administer care to Veterans using telehealth, or virtual technology, regardless of where in the United States the provider or Veteran is located, including when care will occur across state lines or outside a VA facility.

Previously, it was unclear whether VA providers could furnish care to Veterans in other states through telehealth because of licensing restrictions or state-specific telehealth laws. This new rule exercises federal preemption to override those state restrictions, paving the way for VA to expand care to Veterans using telehealth. VA worked closely with the White House Office of American Innovation and the Department of Justice for implementation of the new rule.

"This new rule is critical to VA's 'Anywhere to Anywhere' initiative," said VA Acting Secretary Robert Wilkie. "Now that the rule has been finalized, VA providers and patients can start enjoying the full benefits of VA's telehealth services."

By enabling Veterans nationwide to receive care at home, the rule will especially benefit Veterans living in rural areas who would otherwise need to travel a considerable distance or across state lines to receive care. The rule also will expand Veterans' access to critical care that can be provided virtually — such as mental health care and suicide prevention — by allowing quicker and easier access to VA mental health providers through telehealth.


VA first announced the proposed rule, titled "Authority of Health Care Providers to Practice Telehealth," at a White House event last August, during which VA

and President Donald Trump launched the "Anywhere to Anywhere" initiative.

In the announcement, VA also unveiled VA Video Connect, a video conferencing app for Veterans and VA providers. Through this new rule, VA providers will be able to use VA Video Connect and other forms of telehealth to furnish care to Veterans anywhere in the country, including in the Veteran's home.

To learn more about VA's telehealth "Anywhere to Anywhere" initiative, visit VA's Office of Connected Care at [connectedcare.va.gov](http://connectedcare.va.gov).





**Volunteers of America and Cincinnati VA Medical Center**

## 2018 HOMELESS VETERANS STAND DOWN

**MEMORIAL HALL**  
**1225 ELM ST., CINCINNATI, OH 45202**  
**Wednesday, JUNE 20, 2018**  
**10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

**This event will provide Veterans and their families with medical services, referrals to social service agencies, legal assistance, food, and much more. The Homeless Stand Down plays a vital role in connecting Veterans with much needed community resources!**

Employment & Education

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services

Housing & Financial Assistance

Legal Assistance

Medical Services

Benefits



# Department Elections

*Robert E. (Bob)  
Schmitt*

**Candidate for  
Department Commander**



Born in Toledo, Ohio April 1946, graduated from Whitmer high School. Received my Associate Degree in Applied Science from Oakland Community College, Pontiac, MI. Retired Steamfitter / Refrigeration Fitter and HVAC Technician from Local 50 Plumbers & Pipefitters, Mechanical Equipment Service Technicians.

I am a dual member with my eligibility for the Sons from my dad having served in the Navy during World War II. I earned my eligibility from my service in the Air Force 1967 to 1971, attended Munitions School in Denver, CO. stationed at Utopia, Thailand from 1968 to 1969. Upon returning to the States was cross-trained in Security Police and was assigned to the Air Defense Command 94th FIS. Alpena, MI.

I became a member of the American Legion in November of 1983 when my father paid my first year's dues. I started attending Post meetings at the end of January 1984, was elected 3rd Vice in March 1984. I worked my way through the Post chairs and became Post Commander May 1988,

Lucas County Commander 1997 and First District Commander 2000-2001, Department Assistant Stg-At-Arms 2001-2002

I am currently serving as the Department 1st Vice Commander, Conn-Weissenberger Post 587 as the Judge Advocate and on the Board of Trustees. I am also serving Lucas County Council as the Judge Advocate. I have been on staff at The American Legion Buckeye Boys Pro-gram and is Section Head for State Government.

I am also member of the Toledo American Legion Convention Committee, the President of the Toledo Lucas County Memorial Day Association, responsible for the Toledo Memorial Day Parade and Memorial Service. Vice President of the Toledo Soldiers Memorial Association founded in 1879 Committee member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee.

I am a PUFL member of The American Legion, a Life Member of the VFW and the Catholic War Veterans, I also member of the 40 et 8 Voiture 141, Toledo, OH.



*Roger Friend*

**Candidate for  
Department 1st Vice Commander**

Melvin Mayfield Post #804 and the Sizzling Sixth District proudly present and endorse Roger Friend as a candidate for the High office of 1st Vice Commander of the American Legion Department of Ohio.

Roger earned his eligibility serving a combination of active and reserve time for a total of 22 years and has been a member of Post #804 since it's conception in 2006. He has held offices of 2nd Vice, 1st Vice and Commander. While he was the commander he earned 100% commander and post #804 was all time high. He

is currently the Adjutant and Treasurer. He serviced the 6th district 2nd, 1st and Commander the received the Big one pin as the 1st Vice.

At the Department level he was the Chairman of the National Security Committee and at the National level the national Security council. Roger is currently servicing as Department 2nd Vice Commander.

Roger retired as a Field Support Specialist at Acuity Brands Lighting as is married to his lovely wife Cindy of 49 years and has two daughters Kalani and Felicia.



*Joyce A. Hannum*

**Candidate for  
Department 2nd Vice Commander**

My eligibility was earned serving on Active Duty in the U.S. Army June 1980 to June 1983 (Lebanon/Grenada). I also service in the Ohio National Guard and U.S. Army Reserves from 1984 to my retirement from the 112th Combat Engineers in Brookpark, Ohio in 2004. I am supported by the 14th District, Portage County Council, Post 685, PDC Steve Masowick, PDC Jim Campbell and NEC Dennis Clausing.

I am a Past 14th District Quota Commander 2012-2013, Past Post Commander Posts 193 & 496 and have served post and district positions of 2nd Vice Cmdr. and 1st Vice Cmdr., Commander, Executive Committee member and Membership Chairman. While serving as 2nd Vice, 1st Vice & Cmdr., Post 193 was All-Time-High

for 7 years in a row.

I am a member the American Legion Auxiliary and Legion Riders, member of the AMVETS of Ohio and I am on the Advisory Board of Maplewood Career Center in Ravenna, Ohio.

Expansion of our communications with the Gulf War/War on Terrorism Veterans directly is an important step in educating them about the American Legion; Who we are, What we do and What the benefits are to them and all veterans.

Integrating these younger veterans will serve to make the American Legion stronger and see us through the next 100 years.

I respectfully ask for your vote at the 2018 Department Convention in Columbus and look forward to working with all of you in the future!

*Jean L. Wilson*

**Candidate for  
Department 2nd Vice Commander**



I earned my eligibility by serving in the US Army 1969-1971. I am a Post awarded Life Member of Yeager-Benson Post 199 for the past 28 years. I was also awarded my life membership in the Yeager-Benson American Legion Auxiliary. I am also a Life member of Am Vets Post 13 and a member of the 8 ET 40. I have served all the offices of my Post including All Time High Post Commander for two years. I have been a Gold Brigade winner recruiting over 50 new members into the American Legion four times and the Recruiter of the Year twice. I am a past Hamilton County Commander and Past 4th District Commander winning the Big Brown Jug in membership as Commander.

I have served on the Department level as Assistant Historian, Department Assistant Sgt. at Arms, Department Scholarship Committee and on the Americanism Committee both on the Department level and National level.

I have served on the Board of Joseph House (shelter for homeless Veterans) for 10 years serving two terms as President. I have served on the Cincinnati Fisher House while it was being built

and continue to serve on the Board of the Friends of the Fisher House.

I was appointed to Ohio Women's Task Force by Governor Kasich. I have served my Community by being on the Harrison Mayor's Needy Family Fund for the past 7 years and I am serving my 3rd term as President. I was recently named the First Lady of Harrison by the XI Eta Lota, Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority of Harrison for my Community Service. I am endorsed and supported by Yeager-Benson Post 199,

Hamilton County Council, Fabulous Fourth District and Past Department Commanders, Bob Ray, Jerry Wilson, Ron Hartman, Lou Dimmerman, Ron Chapman, Jim Morris, Glenn Hickman, Carl Swisher, Daryl Bishop, Dave Hillard, Hank Long, Bob Klosermeir, Richard Zulch, Bob Steele, Ed Anderson and W. Dean School. I invite you to my hospitality room in Columbus. I will be open Friday and Saturday night. I look forward to seeing you and I ask for your support and your vote at the Department Convention on Sunday July 1, 2018. If elected I will do my very best to serve the great Department of Ohio to the very best of my ability.





*Richard L. Staley*

### Candidate for Department Treasurer

The Foody-Cornwell American Legion Post 95, Greene County Council and the "Thundering 3rd District" proudly present and endorse Richard L. Staley as a Candidate for Treasurer of The American Legion Department of Ohio.

Dick is a 34 year PUFL member of the Foody-Cornwell Post 95 and earned his eligibility for the American Legion through his service in the United States Army from 1967-1969, serving in Vietnam. He has served his Post in all elected offices and is in his 16th year as Post Adjutant. He has served as Greene County Commander and as Commander of the "Thundering 3rd District" in 2011. Dick

has served the Department of Ohio on five different committees and two National Committees. He currently serves the Department of Ohio as the Department Finance Committee Chairperson.

A retired Xenia Police Officer, Dick and his wife Connie, a member of Unit 526, reside in Xenia, Ohio. They have one daughter and two grandsons. After retiring from the police department, Dick joined a bank as a fraud investigator and left the bank as a branch manager. Dick believes strongly in the American Legion and its programs and would appreciate your support as Department Treasurer at the 2018 Department Convention.

*Bob Klostermeier*

### Alternative National Executive Committeeman



At Mid-Winter Conference I announced that I was ready to take the next step and would like to serve as your National Executive Committeeman. I have studied under Dennis for the past 2 years and feel I'm ready to take on the job. As always to let you know that "Bring On Bob" is back again, asking for your support. I am hoping to have your support at the Department Convention to be held in Columbus June 29th to July 1st. I have the support of my family, my Post Adams Township Post 553, The Lucas

County Council, and The Great First District.

I have been extremely proud to have served you these past few years. I served in all Department offices and as your Alternate National Executive Committeeman. I look forward to serving you for another 2 years as your next National Executive Committeeman. Thank you in advance for all of your support.

*Bob Klostermeier,  
Past Department Commander  
2011-2012*



## Department of Ohio State Headquarters Update

### Membership Shout-Out!

Congratulations to 10th District for making your membership quota and winning The American Legion Race-To-The-Top for the Large District Category! This marks the 2nd consecutive year the 10th District has won Race to the Top. This also marks the third consecutive year Ohio has won the large category District membership competition. We are very proud of District Commander Holly Lewis and 1st Vice Commander and Membership Chair Brad Teis for your hard work and keeping the Race-To-The-Top in Ohio.

### Department of Ohio Run Down:

- The Department sent lists of members that have undeliverable mailing addresses to each District. We need Posts to review the list, make corrections, and complete omissions to Department HQ. In order to best communicate with our Legionnaires we need to ensure our membership roster is up to date.

- In late April, Department mailed Consolidated Post Reports (CPR's) to each Post Adjutant. It is vitally important that this documented is completed and in house by 1 July 2018. Those that submitted prior to 1 June have been considered for a Department Convention award. CPR's are a requirement for Posts to receive 2019 membership cards. National uses this information to consolidate into a report to Congress by the Na-

tional Commander. We tell our story through CPR's!

- The Department Convention Call was mailed to each Post and District and available on our website [www.ohiolegion.com](http://www.ohiolegion.com) where you can also make hotel arrangements directly. This is our 100th Centennial Convention held at the Hyatt Regency in Downtown Columbus from 29 June through 1 July. Key-note speaker is Ohio Supreme Court Justice Sharon Kennedy. We also secured the Democratic Gubernatorial Candidate Richard Cordray (D) to address the General Assembly on Saturday and in a Town Hall format immediately following. We are working on obtaining Mike DeWine (R). With the Ohio American Legion Auxiliary we will host a Commander and President's reception on Friday evening 29 June. Proceeds will support the Auxiliary President and Department Commander's projects. Activities in the area will be the Columbus Clippers which begins a series with the Indianapolis Indians beginning Monday the 25th ending Sunday 1 July. The games for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday begin at 7pm and Huntington Park is within walking distance from the Hotel! Another event is "Patriotic Pops" at the Columbus Commons with the Columbus Symphony. The American Legion Department of Ohio, Charities, Inc., is a sponsor of the event and any Legionnaire who wears their Legion Cap will receive 20% off the ticket price. This

event is outdoors on the lawn of the Columbus Commons so be prepared with a blanket, cooler, and any snacks or drinks! You can go to their website for more information: <http://www.columbusymphony.com/events/series/profile.dT/picnic-with-the-pops>

- Please go to this website for more information: The Columbus Symphony sponsored by The American The Department will also have discounted tickets to the Columbus Symphony Patriotic

- National Convention housing and information forms are being mailed to each District and are posted on the Department website. This year the National Convention is being held in Minneapolis, MN. The Department is housed in the Marriott City Center Minneapolis, hotel. The Department will host a delegate's party at Minnesota Post 1 in Minneapolis. National Convention is a lot of fun with many activities and attractions. To become a delegate, see your District Commander. Each District elects its delegates. Any unused delegate slots can be filled by the Department following the District Summer Conventions. See the Website for updates. The Interim Department Adjutant will need assistance in making sure this is a success so if you have attended National Convention in the past and are planning to attend this year, please contact Suzette Heller to volunteer with registration and planning. YOU and YOUR experience is VALUED!



### THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT CONVENTION HOUSING FORM

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(HYATT REGENCY)

Deadline to make a housing reservation is June 8, 2018.  
List only one name per room reservation.

All reserved rooms will be held for guaranteed payment all night unless cancelled. A valid credit card number is required to make a reservation! Deadline to cancel a room is 48 hours prior to your arrival date. If canceling, be sure to get a cancellation number as well as the name of the individual with whom you spoke. If hotel claims you did not cancel you must have this cancellation number, otherwise you will have to pay for the room.

Sponsoring units are ultimately responsible and liable for hotel charges and/or damages by their members.

Check in time is 3:00 pm; checkout time is 11:00 am.

You may make reservations online by visiting <https://book.passkey.com/go/AmericanLegionOH2018> or calling the Hyatt Regency Columbus at 614-463-1234. When you call, make sure to refer to The American Legion of Ohio to get the discounted rate. If you cannot attend the convention and are being replaced, your Replacement must alert the front desk when checking in. This will eliminate needless no-show discrepancies with the hotel. Make your reservation early! Bed types are not guaranteed and once the hotel is full (even prior to the cut off date) you need to find an alternate property.

ALL ROOMS ARE NON SMOKING

**Any Questions, Please call Department at 740-362-7478 or email [legion@ohiolegion.com](mailto:legion@ohiolegion.com)**





# AMERICANISM



## Americanism and Government Trip

(Continued from front page)

and Auxiliary 1st Vice President Kathy Heichel. It is a once in a lifetime experience which will be remembered by these two outstanding students.

The highlight of Wednesday was a visit to the Capital Building as well as meeting a few of our Ohio Congressmen Jim Jordan, War-

ren Davidson, and Bill Johnson. They were kind enough to meet our group on the steps of The Capital, speak to our students, as well as let them ask some difficult questions. These young leaders demonstrated knowledge beyond their years.

Thursday was a visit that was a struggle to get into and was finally

approved last minute... Quantico. Quantico is an active Marine Corps base and FBI Training Academy that is the headquarters of the Presidential Helicopter Squadron also known as HMX-1 or Marine One. We were briefed by a Captain that is on the Presidential detail, and he gave us a tour of the base. The trip ended with a stop in the hanger, where the students walked inside and sit in the piolet set of a Bell Boeing V-22 Osprey. It is a tilt-rotor military aircraft with both vertical takeoff and landing.

During the trip we also visited many monuments and memorials which included the Air Force Memorial, American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial, Korean War Memorial, Pentagon Memorial, World War 2 Memorial, the Vietnam Wall, FDR Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, MLK Jr memorial, Ford's Theater, Holocaust Memorial, Marine Corps Museum, and a few Smithsonian's Museums.

We all returned home on Friday. The 17 students that accompanied us chaperones on the trip were indeed a joy and a pleasure to spend the week with. Saying that this trip and this group of young leaders are fantastic is an understatement. Words cannot describe the knowledge, passion, and drive each one of them has. We are so very thankful that these 17 individuals are the future leaders of America. We will keep you updated on them; they are going to be doing big things.

From the bottom of our hearts, Thank You! #ohiolegion #nextgen-leaders.

Christie White  
Programs Manager  
The American Legion  
Department of Ohio

-Ava Carnegie



Steps of Arlington

"When I took the Americanism and Government Test in November, I didn't think anything would come of it. The test is not a big deal at my school; people only take it to get out of class. I actually forgot about it until January when a representative from the Jeromesville American Legion pulled me out of class to tell me I had won state! I was so surprised! The winners' trip on March 5-9 was one of the best experiences I've ever had. I enjoyed meeting other students who love history just as much as or more than I do. The trip was amazing, from the Gettysburg battlefield to the Smithsonian museums to the Capitol Building Tour. I learned so much and loved every second of it. Meeting with Ohio Congressmen, watching the laying the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and going to Quantico were three unique events that I'm grateful I got to experience, since many people do not get to. Our tour guide, Mike, was so much fun and helped make the trip even more enjoyable. The chaperones were so kind and loving. I am so honored to have been able to spend a week with all of those amazing people. I know I will remember this trip for the rest of my life. Thank you for everything!"



The Capital

"There is no way that I could ever say in words how truly amazing this opportunity was. The amount of things we were able to see was absolutely incredible, I could never replicate the experience if I tried. I can honestly say that I have made some friends for life from this trip and we have been keeping in touch, which is wonderful. If anyone ever has a chance to do this, they should try as hard as they can to win this trip because you will have the time of your life."

-Sophie Hagans



Dobbin House



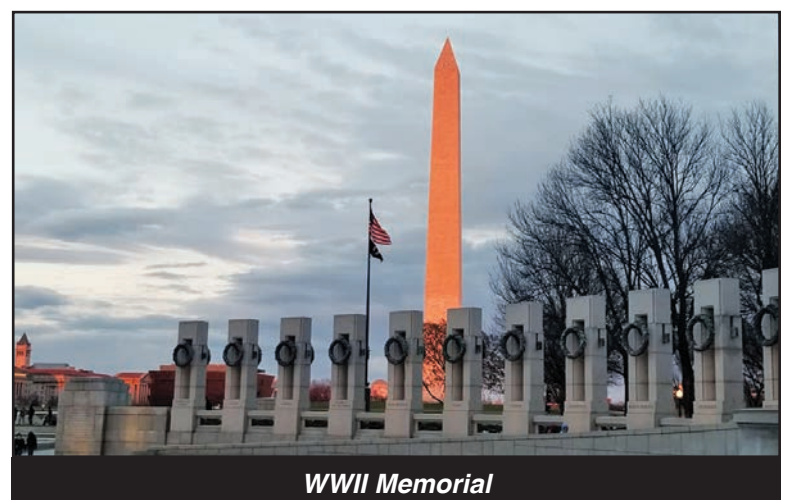
Gettysburg



Congressman Jim Jordan



Quantico



WWII Memorial





# AMERICANISM



**Congressman Bill Johnson**



**Marine Corps Museum**



**FDR Memorial**

"The trip was amazing and it broadened my perspective, and enhanced my adoration for American History. The trip was also amazing because of the people there."

-Cole Newsome



**Korean Memorial**

"I really enjoyed the trip, thanks to the American Legion for the opportunity. I met a lot of great people who I know will change the world."

-Alexandria Baughman



**Fords Theater**



**Congressman Warren Davidson**

"The trip was a great learning experience and I was honored to go on it. My favorite part was going to Quantico and getting to see all of the different monuments. This is a trip that I will remember for the rest of my life."

-Makayla Aichholz



**Carson McCorkle and Haylie Vaughn**

"Words cannot express the gratitude I have for being given this opportunity and experience. I have learned a lot and made many friends. I will always remember my trip to Washington D.C. with the American Legion. Thank you very much!"

-Abby Bonifas



**Pentagon Memorial**



**Vietnam Wall**



**Quantico**

"It was an honor to join American Legion members on the Americanism and Government test trip to Washington, DC, representing Post 681 of the 4th District of the Ohio Department. It was quite an educational and engaging experience, from which I can walk away with an even greater understanding of Americanism and U.S. government. My thanks go to the American Legion for supporting the youth of our nation, resting on Americanism as a pillar, and giving me the knowledge and experience to help me spread American ideals and history to my peers."

-Weston Lindner



**Air Force Memorial**



**Lincoln Memorial**



**Disabled Veterans For Life Memorial**





# AMERICANISM



## 2018 Department of Ohio Oratorical Scholarship Program

The American Legion Department of Ohio (3/25/18) — A high school student from Berea, Ohio is the 2018 winner of the Department of Ohio American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program “A Constitutional Speech Contest”.

Renee Betterton won the contest held at the American Legion Department of Ohio. The High School Senior earned \$2,000 in scholarship monies and will now compete at the National contest held in Indianapolis, Indiana against winners of contests from the other 52 states and territories of these United States of America.

First and second round participants in the national contest will receive a \$1,500 scholarship. The first-place winner of the national contest will earn a \$18,000 scholarship and the next two finishers receive \$16,000 and \$14,000.

Each contestant delivered a prepared oration as well as an oration on a randomly assigned constitutional topic. Renee Betterton, impressed the judges with a speech titled, The Pursuit of Happiness.

Neha Badam, a senior from Gahanna, Ohio came in second place earning a \$1,000 scholarship.

A special thanks to all other contestants for representing their districts.

Lucas Blanchong; John Kent; Madeline Stiles; Rylie Erb; Andrew White; Richard Davis; Hannah Horsington; Evan Hennington; Faith Triplett

Since 1938, The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program has encouraged the nation's high school students to study the U.S. Constitution and to hone their public speaking skills.



*Carsyn Shuey of the Department of France and Renee Betterton of the Department of Ohio practice their orations before the first round in Indianapolis, Indiana on Saturday, April 14, 2018. Photo by Clay Lomneth/The American Legion*



*Commander Stanley Pleasant, 1st place winner Renee Betterton, and 2nd Vice Commander Bob Schmitt after the 2018 State Oratorical Contest.*

## Buckeye Boys State



*American Legion Post 52 Bellaire, Ohio along with West Liberty University are the sponsor of the 2018 Boys State Candidates. (Front Row) - Robert Hicks - Matt Fouty - Nick Becket - Zach Kolenich - Joey Hoepfner. (Back Row) - John Ciesielk - Richard Johnson - Chester Crooks - John "Dixie" Purtiman - Dan Favreau - Bill Wilson*



*Patriotism Post 470 in Coldwater is sponsoring five young men to attend Buckeye Boys State in June. Pictured in front are Andrew Schoen, Jack Bills and Kyle May. Back row: Buckeye Boy's State Chairman Ron Stachler, Isaac Osterfeld, Nile Najmi and Post 470 Commander Gene Brunswick.*



*Howland American Legion Post 700 Legionnaires and Delegates attending Buckeye Boys State orientation at Newton Falls on April 19, 2018. Kneeling in front row: Abhishek Shah, Preston Taylor, Michael Schaefer, Dylan Henning & T. Gaydosh. Standing in back row: Jim Campbell, Gannon Fridley, Zane Zook, Bud Luman, Skylar Daniels, Shay Fabrizio, John Smith, Jake Kirby, Don Winkleman, Stean Glisic, Adam Qualheim & Chuck Sayers.*

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# VETERAN'S AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

## Legislative Division Update

*For Week Ending 05-04-18*

### Congress

Neither the House nor the Senate was in full session this week.

On Thursday, House VA Committee chairman Rep. Phil Roe (TN) released the VA MISSION Act. This legislation includes \$5.2 billion to keep the Choice program operating beyond next month, while putting in place the next iteration of VA community care. The new program consolidates all of the current community care programs, and bases decisions on when to send a veteran to a private sector provider on care quality available from the VA, and the requirements and convenience of the veteran. The legislation also creates an asset review system similar to DoD's BRAC process and takes the first steps to expand the family caregiver support program to veterans of all eras.

Acting VA Secretary Robert Wilkie released a statement expressing satisfaction with the proposed legislation. The President hopes to sign the bill by Memorial Day (although that might be a little ambitious). The House VA Committee intends to mark up the legislation next Tuesday.

Next week, Congress will be back in full swing. The House Armed Services Committee is gearing up for its full National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) mark-up

on Wednesday. Several other major hearings and markups will be taking place as well.

### Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) news

With senior leaders departing the VA on a weekly basis, the search for a new VA Secretary continues. Former House VA Committee chairman Jeff Miller met with the President and several senators this week. He appears to be a leading contender for the position. The White House is also clearly pleased with the performance of VA Acting Secretary Wilkie.

The introduction of the MISSION Act could forestall some of the VA's problems, such as Choice running out of money. However, the Department also still has important programs pending, not the least of which is the contract with Cerner for a new electronic health record system. That contract was on the verge of being signed last January when then-Secretary Shulkin halted the process to ensure full interoperability with the private sector. It turns out that was prompted by the grousing of a friend of the President who is not satisfied with his Cerner EHR system. It remains to be seen what will happen now.

### Treating post-traumatic stress (PTS)

British researchers have deter-

mined that the party drug MDMA (also known as Ecstasy or Molly) could effectively treat PTS in individuals who do not respond to other treatments. The study involved 26 veterans and first responders, who were given the drug in addition to undergoing psychotherapy. Significant improvement in PTS symptoms were observed among the participants when measured at the 12-month mark. In an article published in the May 1 issue of Lancet, the researchers concluded the treatment can be effective when provided in a controlled setting.

However, 20 of the 26 participants reported a total of 85 adverse events, four of which were deemed to be serious. The high percentage of study participants who experienced such events emphasizes the importance of ensuring the treatment is provided in a controlled environment.

### Integration of the Defense Health Agency (DHA)

Congress has made clear its desire to see the DHA take over more control of all military treatment facilities, leaving the Service Surgeons General more focused on medical care and readiness rather than administrative oversight. In its draft FY19 NDAA, the House Armed Services Committee has included language basically warning that they are paying attention to this issue. DHA has yet to submit

a final report on the organizational structure moving forward. Committee staff says that they want to give the entire Defense Health Program time to be successful, but reform absolutely must occur.

Last week, in a Senate hearing, the Surgeons General assured senators that they are working with DHA in this direction. They want to implement change, but, at the same time, want to limit disruption in day-to-day operations.

The DHA, like much of the current Administration, still has a lot of top leadership positions filled on a temporary basis. The slow pace of change is apparently due at least in part to the problems caused by the lack of permanent leadership at the top.

### Universal flu vaccine

NIAID Director Dr. Anthony Fauci has long been a loud promoter of federal support for creating a universal flu vaccine, which would be more effective than the current seasonal vaccine, which is not generally fully protective. This week, Bill Gates announced a \$12 million challenge to help promote research and development of such a vaccine.

In the meantime, at least two large hospital systems reported earnings growth in the first quarter

of the year largely due to the more intense flu season. Both HCA and Tenet reported higher earnings than expected. At \$1.1 billion, HCA almost doubled its profits for the quarter, with half of their emergency room visits related to influenza.

### Update on Flag Amendment Bill

The American Legion is continuing its efforts to protect the American flag in the 115th Congress. As he did in the previous Congress, Rep. Steve Womack (AR) re-introduced a flag protection constitutional amendment, House Joint Resolution (H.J. Res.) 61. The measure currently boasts 27 cosponsors.

On Flag Day, Sen. Steve Daines (MT) introduced a Senate companion measure, Senate Joint Resolution (S.J. Res.) 46, in that chamber. The amendment currently has 13 cosponsors. You can read Sen. Daines' press release here: <https://www.daines.senate.gov/news/press-releases/on-flag-day-daines-introduces-constitutional-amendment-to-prohibit-flag-burning>

The American Legion issued the following congratulatory response here: <https://www.legion.org/commander/237811/american-legion-national-commander-salutes-senate-bill-flag-day>

## Ohio Legislation

**H.B. No. 636** - To amend section 5901.08 of the Revised Code to exempt veterans from the three-month county residency requirement to be eligible for financial assistance from the county veterans service commission, if the veteran has relocated to the county from another Ohio county, state, or United States territory after the Governor or President of the United States declares a disaster or emergency.

**H.B. No. 636** - To amend section 9.50 of the Revised Code to enact the POW/MIA Remembrance Act requiring the POW/MIA flag to be displayed at certain buildings operated by the state on Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, National POW/MIA Recognition Day, and Veterans' Day.

**S.B. No. 190** - To enact section 124.1312 of the Revised Code to grant full-time state employees paid leave for the purpose of attending medical examina-

tions and appointments provided through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

**H.B. No. 202** - To enact section 5.481 of the Revised Code to designate the first Saturday of May as "Veterans Suicide Awareness Day."

**H.B. No. 194** "AN ACT"- To amend section 307.6910, to enact section 4503.29, and to repeal sections 4503.431, 4503.432, 4503.433, 4503.434, 4503.436, 4503.48, 4503.481, 4503.53, 4503.532, 4503.533, 4503.536, 4503.537, 4503.538, 4503.54, 4503.541, 4503.543, 4503.544, 4503.547, 4503.548, 4503.581, 4503.59, and 4503.731 of the Revised Code to establish a program for the issuance of special license plates related to military service and awards and to modify the law that governs the nonprofit corporation organized to operate the Veterans Memorial and Museum in Columbus.

**H.B. No. 192** - To amend section 5901.02 and to enact section

5901.022 of the Revised Code to permit county veterans service commissions to elect to add two members to the commission, one who is a veteran who served in Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iraqi Freedom, or subsequently in those theaters of operation, and one who is a military spouse.

**S.B. No. 468** - To enact section 124.1312 of the Revised Code to grant full-time state employees paid leave for the purpose of attending medical examinations and appointments provided through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

**S.B. No. 81** - To amend section 2923.125 of the Revised Code to waive the concealed carry license fee for active members of the armed forces and retired and honorably discharged veterans, to accept military experience with firearms as proof of competency with firearms regardless of when the applicant for a license acquired the experience, to permit

a licensee to renew a concealed handgun license at any time before the expiration of the license, and to require the Attorney General to monitor the number of license fees waived and cap the total amount allowed to be waived at \$1.5 million.

**H.B. No. 414** - To enact section 5.243 of the Revised Code to designate July 16 as "National Atomic Veterans Day" in Ohio.

**HCR 21** - To urge the Congress of the United States to enact the Mark Takai Atomic Veterans Healthcare Parity Act.

**H.B. No. 409** - To enact sections 1927.01, 1927.02, 1927.03, and 1927.04 of the Revised Code to permit courts to create veterans treatment courts and to allow courts to divert certain criminal defendants to participate in veterans treatment court.

**S.B. No. 215** - To enact sections 3962.01, 3962.02, 3962.03, 3962.04, 3962.05, 3962.06, 3962.07, 3962.08, 3962.09, 3962.10, 3962.11, 3962.12,

3962.13, 3962.14, 3962.15, 3962.16, 3962.17, and 3962.18 of the Revised Code to create the Ohio Pharmaceutical Assistance Program in the Department of Insurance to provide assistance with the cost of prescription drugs for certain seniors, the disabled, veterans, and certain persons who are covered under a Bronze Health Plan sold in the Health Insurance Marketplace established by federal law.

**H.B. No. 295** - To amend section 955.011 of the Revised Code to exempt certain disabled veterans from paying a dog registration fee when application is made to the county auditor that includes proof that the dog is an assistance dog.

**H.B. No. 238** - To amend sections 111.16, 111.17, 1703.31, 1729.12, 1746.06, 1782.63, 2305.10, and 4743.04 and to enact sections 5903.21, 5903.22, 5903.23, 5903.24, and 5903.25 of the Revised Code to establish the Veterans Fee Waiver Program.



# VETERAN'S AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

## Department Executive Committee Highlights

The April 7th meeting of the Department of Ohio Executive Committee was called to order by Department of Ohio Commander Stanley Pleasant at 1300 hours at the Headquarters, The American Legion Department of Ohio in Delaware, Ohio.

The Executive Committee unanimously passed three memorial resolutions for Past Department Commander David A. Cropper (1973-1974), Past Department Adjutant J.P. "Pat" Hone (1966-1991), and Past Department Adjutant Roger Hight (1994-2015).

The Committee heard reports from 1 Vice Commander Schmitt, who discussed topics to improve recruiting and retention incentives. He also discussed the draft 2019 Membership Awards Manual that was scheduled for vote at the next Membership Committee meeting. He also reported on the timeline of when the Department Convention Call would be mailed to the Posts.

2nd Vice Commander Roger Friend reported on the status of

the Department Pool and Euchre tournaments. He commented on the Department Americanism and Government Test winners trip to Washington D.C.

The Committee voted to file for audit the Department Finance Committee Report.

Judge Advocate Douglas Whitney reported on the status of Post Constitution and By-Laws review. He reported on five consultations with Posts and Districts on disciplinary procedures.

Historian Elizabeth Kendrick-Kreech presented her officers report. She announced a change to her email address (EASKendrick@yahoo.com). She also reported on the Post History Book contest and submission process.

National Executive Committeeman Dennis Clausing reported on the events of the Washington Conference held in February and outlined The American Legion's legislative agenda. He reported on the status of the Centennial Coin being minted by the United States

Mint. Currently it is in the design approval process. The final design is not yet complete.

Alternate National Executive Committeeman Robert Klostermeier thanked the Fight Fifth District for its hospitality during the PDC Round-up in February. He presented two checks to the Department Commander for the Special Olympics from Adams Township Post Legionnaires and SAL.

Four Resolutions were presented to the Committee. Resolution 18-10 (Children and Youth Centennial Pins) was referred to the Finance Committee. Resolution 18-11 (Establish a JROTC of the Year Award) was referred to the Department Convention. Resolution 18-12 (Street Sign Name Change for 100th Department Convention) was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Adjutant reported on all Post and Squadron Cancellation, Revocations, Suspensions, and Mergers. thirteen SAL squadrons, and one American Legion Post were approved for cancellation. Six Amer-

ican Legion Posts were approved for merger with other Posts.

Judge Advocate Douglas Whitney presented the Department Constitution and By-Laws Review Ad Hoc Committee. The Committee presented the DEC with its Resolution to rewrite of the Department CBL. The proposed CBL was refused by the DEC and sent back to the Ad Hoc Committee for amendments prior to referral to the Department Convention.

Past Department Commander Jerry Wilson, presented The American Legion Department of Ohio Charities, INC report and provided guidance on how to submit requests for funds.

The Committee accepted reports from the Oratorical Committee. The Baseball Commission chairman Marv Shamhart presented a report on the Department American Legion Baseball program. He also invited 1st Vice Commander Schmitt to throw out the first pitch at the 2018 Department Baseball tournament. The Committee also

accepted the Department Bowling Commission report on the 2018 Department Bowling Tournament. Chairman Malcomb Glasgow presented the Legislative report. He reported on the success of the inaugural Department Legislative Breakfast held in March and presentation of Legislative Awards to Representatives Rick Perales (73rd District), Robert Sprague (83rd District), and Hearcel Craig (26th District).

1st Vice Commander Schmitt congratulated the 10th District on making quota and reaching "Race to the Top" for the 2nd consecutive year. Number one pins were presented to the 10th, 13th, and 8th Districts. The 10th District received the Green Lantern from the 13th as the 1st place District in membership and the 14th District retained the Red Lantern for being in last place.

After the final membership report was given, Department Commander Pleasant closed the meeting in correct form.

## GOOD OF THE LEGION

### VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY



Gulf War Veteran Tim Pollock of the Point Man Ministry reads a prayer before Post 290's Honor Guard fires a 3 volley salute and plays taps in honor of the March 29th Vietnam War Veterans Day observance at the Columbiana Cemetery War Memorial.

### WELCOME HOME BROTHER

*These are words that cannot be spoken too often to a Veteran, especially a Vietnam Vet. We are all to aware of the sad reception our returning Vets received during the Vietnam era. It is NEVER too late to correct a wrong, so Brakeman-King Post 336 Painesville held a Welcome Home breakfast on April the 7, 2018. Our mission was to reach as many Veterans as possible, particularly Vietnam Vets and let them know their service is appreciated and honored. We were privileged to serve over 80 breakfasts to our proud Veterans. During the breakfast there were power point slide presentations from different branches of service. Lots of positive comments were heard, such as, I remember that, or I was there. In addition the music of the era was played along with AFVN radio promos. The intent was to replicate the time and place to make the Thank You more relevant and authentic. During the opening ceremony a special song, Welcome Home, A Soldier's Song was performed by Lake Catholic High School student, Meghan Bretz. The Ladies Auxiliary and the Fairport High School Honor Society waited tables and served the Vets. It is truly a blessing to see our youth so involved with and learning from our Veterans, To make the day even more special each Vet was presented with an American Flag lapel pin and Lucy Morse, of the Ladies Auxiliary, made lap afghans for every Vet. A picture is enclosed or Lucy presenting one of her afghans. This event was so successful that our Commander, Charles Stennis, has directed it to be an annual event. To all those who served, WELCOME HOME!*



### CERTIFICATE PRESENTED



Lori Stone of Youngstown Belmont Ave. V.A. clinic present a certificate of appreciation to Jim Williamson of Post 290 Columbiana for his efforts in raising money for the purchase of a new van that transports local veterans to Wade Park V.A. Hospital and local V.A. clinics.

### "SISTER ACT"



Myrna Kandle & Diane Young showcase the waterproof, recycled shopping bags that they knitted for Homeless Veterans in the Beach City area.

### FLAG RETIREMENT



Members of Columbiana Post 290's Honor Guard fold a retiring flag at a local assisted living home before they raise and dedicate a new flag. L to R Jim Williamson, Ed Holisky, Sergeant-at-Arms Ken Allcorn, and Jerry Mong.





# GOOD OF THE LEGION



## The 68th Annual Joseph A. Annick Memorial Bowling Tournament



By Parris Hopson

The 68th Annual Joseph A. Annick Memorial Bowling Tournament, ran successfully for the last three weekends of February 2018. The 2018 Tournament took place at Cedar Lanes in Sandusky, OH. Over 400 legionnaires attended the tournament over the course of the three weekends. Members of the American Legion, Auxiliary and SAL gathered together to showcase their talents, and have a good time.

State Commander Stanley Pleasant, attended week 1 of the bowling tournament. He rolled the first ball of the competition, knocking down all but 1 pin. Winners of the Competition will be contacted by Department Headquarters during the month of May.

The bowling commission voted at the end of this year's tournament, and have decided that the 2019 State Bowling Tournament held at Southwyck Lanes in Toledo, OH. Registration will begin on 15 October 2018 for the 2019 Tournament.

Special Thank you to Commander Terry Kauffman and the rest of the staff at Post 83, for hosting this great event.

We look forward to seeing you all again next year in Toledo!



## 2018 Department of Ohio State Pool Tournament

The 2018 State Pool Tournament was held this year at Zanesville Post 29. Members from around the state gathered together to compete and have a good time with their fellow legionnaires. The tournament took place on the 21st and 22nd of April, and had an increase in participation from previous years. American Legion Post 29 would like to thank all that attended the tournament. Congratulations to the winner of this year's pool tournament: Mr. David Vickers of Post 29-Zanesville.



Pictured left to right are Second-Vice Commander for Department of Ohio Roger Friend, Winner David Vickers of Post 29 Zanesville, and Zanesville Post 29 Commander George Bradley.





# GOOD OF THE LEGION



## EXCELLENCE AWARDS



*Fabulous Fourth District, Hamilton County Counsel American Legion Scholastic Excellence (SE) and Military Excellence (ME) Awards Presentation April 19, 2018. University of Cincinnati Air Force ROTC (left to right) Elliot Main-Bronze SE, Trinia Medrano-Silver SE, Past Fourth District Commander Aaron Cunningham (631), Hamilton County, 2nd Vice Commander Frank Fails (631), Sydney Gleckler-Silver ME, Jack Smiser-Bronze ME. Also Presented Brian Mee-Gold-SE, not present but awarded Alex Buckely-Gold ME.*

## EXCELLENCE AWARDS



*Fabulous Fourth District, Hamilton County Counsel American Legion Military Excellence Awards Presentation April 21, 2018. University of Xavier Army ROTC (left to right) Gold-Cadet Lee Weeks, Silver-Cadet Kathryn Kennedy, Bronze-Cadet Andrew Mack, Presenter District Four Assistant Sargent-at-Arms Henry Knight Jr (631).*

## COMMANDERS & PRESIDENTS BANQUET



*Hamilton County Counsel(HCC) celebrated their "Commanders and Presidents Banquet" from left to right HHC 2nd Vice Frank Fails (631), Fourth District 1st Vice Greg Elsbern (199), HHC Commander Kevin Swensen (69), Ohio Department Commander Stanley Pleasant (776), Fourth District Adjutant Al Buxton (199), Fourth District Commander Mike Bender (534), Fourth District Sargent at Arms Henry Knight Jr (631).*

## HAMILTON LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR



*Hamilton County Counsel Awards for Legionnaire of the Year Hamilton County Commander Kevin Swensen (69) (center right) and Ladies Auxiliary member of the year Hamilton County President Helen Carter (631)(center Left). Awards were presented by Department of Ohio Commander Stanley Pleasant (far right), and Fourth District Commander Mike Bender(534) (far left).*

## 4TH DISTRICT INSTALLATION CEREMONY



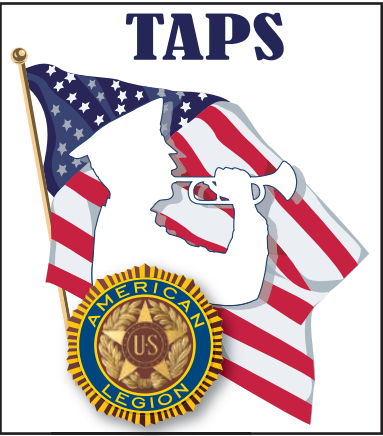
*Hamilton County Officers installation Ceremony, Fourth District Commander Mike Bender (534) presenting incoming Commander George Thornton (425) with his County Commanders cap, as outgoing Commander Kevin Swensen (69) watching with a tear in his eye.*

## RIDERS PRESENT THANK YOU PLAQUE



*Legion Rider President Bill Gibson presents Post 112 Commander Mike Evangelista with a plaque thanking Post 112 for their support in the Riders Legacy Scholarship Program.*





**POST 1 COLUMBUS**

JOHN BURTYK  
RICHARD LOTT  
MICHAEL LUTZ  
**POST 3 FINDLAY**  
FRANKLIN DEEDS  
WILLIAM JAQUA  
ROBERT MORRISON  
WALTER NORMAN  
PAUL PEPPL  
BYRON WISE  
**POST 5 DAYTON**  
EDWARD CLUTTER  
HAROLD WEESE  
**POST 6 SPRINGFIELD**  
RICHAD GALLAGHER  
REED JEWETT  
JERRY SHINGLER  
**POST 7 WICKLIFFE**  
ROBERT BIONDOLILLO  
PAUL MARRAPODI  
**POST 8 WELLINGTON**  
THOMAS BLISS  
HOWARD JAMEYSON  
CLARENCE MOON  
PATRICK VERLOTTI  
**POST 11 LANCASTER**  
LARRY ALVIS  
THOMAS BENDER  
DONALD BOWLING  
PEARL COAKLEY  
DAVIS CONRAD  
JEFF DARFUS  
DICK ELLWOOD  
JOHN FLEMING  
CLARENCE FOWLER  
J HONE  
TOMMY JONES  
LLOYD KILBARGER  
JEROME MESSERLY  
MARVIN MOORE  
WILBERT PYLES  
JAMES QUEEN  
ELIZABETH ROBSON  
BILLY SAMPSON  
THOMAS SWORD  
JAMES TEETER  
ANDREW TENEYCKE  
JOHN TODHUNTER  
MARCIA VARNER  
JOSEPH WOLTZ  
**POST 12 ELYRIA**  
JOHN BASHAK  
DOMENICK BENEDETTO  
JAMES BURSLEY  
ANTHONY CERRA  
CARL DAGOSTINO  
PERRY ELLENBERGER  
BRIAN GEORGE  
LYDIE KELLER  
JOHN MAMRAK  
DON MCCLURE  
EMERSON MULLINS  
WENDELL PAINLEY  
JOHN SMELKO  
BRAD SMITH  
GARY THOMPSON  
LAWRENCE WALCZAK  
RICHARD WEITZEL  
MICHAEL YUHAS  
**POST 14 BAINBRIDGE**  
LON BOATMAN  
RICHARD HARVEY  
JOE MONTGOMERY  
**POST 15 POLAND**  
DAVID GALICA  
JOSEPH PAVLOV  
MICHAEL SHEPAS  
GEORGE SMOLKO  
**POST 16 MANSFIELD**  
CHARLES CLAY  
FRANCIS METCALF  
OSLER SEYMOUR  
RONALD SHASKY  
THOMAS THEOHARES  
**POST 17 GIBSONBURG**  
ALLEN LEE  
ROBERT VEH  
**POST 19 AKRON**

WILLIAM MITCHELL  
RICHARD MODZELESKI  
WILLIAM OCONNOR  
**POST 21 ATHENS**  
DARRELL ANTLE  
RALPH CRABTREE  
PAUL MCCOY  
MELVIN STEDMAN  
**POST 23 PORTSMOUTH**  
DAVID ADKINS  
DAVID CROPPER  
JAMES HAMILTON  
GEORGE HOWARD  
JERRY KAYSER  
CARL KILGORE  
TERRY LACY  
MARCUS LEADINGHAM  
MICHAEL LYON  
CHARLES MAJOR  
HOWARD MORGAN  
BILL MOWERY  
LOUIS POLLARD  
WILLIAM RUSH  
WENDELL SKINNER  
HENRY SPENCE  
FRED WAGNER  
CHARLES YELEY  
**POST 25 WASHINGTON C.H.**  
LARRY BEUCLER  
CLYDE CRAMER  
ROGER DOLPHIN  
TERESA HILL  
BENJAMIN KELLER  
JON PHILLIPS  
JACK SMITH  
HAROLD STEVENSON  
GENE WHITE  
JACK YEOMAN  
**POST 27 GALLIPOLIS**  
DONALD BAIRD  
GARY MONTGOMERY  
JAMES PATTERSON  
HERBERT RIFE  
EARNEST WALKER  
**POST 28 PERRYSBURG**  
HUBBLE FINCH  
THOMAS RECTENWALD  
LOUIS SNYDER  
**POST 29 ZANESVILLE**  
CHARLES ANDREWS  
RUSSELL BATEMAN  
WILLIAM BENSON  
WILLIAM CARPENTER  
RICHARD DILLON  
CHARLES HAMILTON  
KENNETH HAYES  
HAROLD JOHNSON  
CHARLES KINNEY  
JOSEPH MCELHANEY  
HOWARD NEWLUN  
CLEMENT PYLES  
PETER REGULES  
DOUGLAS ROBINSON  
DAVID SHEETS  
WILLIAM SMITLEY  
JOHN TOLLIVER  
RAYMOND WALLACE  
ROBERT WICKLINE  
**POST 30 LORAIN**  
JAMES BLACKBURN  
LARRY CAUDILL  
PAUL CHRISTEN  
ROGER GROVER  
GEORGE MERRITT  
ROBERT POTTS  
PAUL REESE  
WARREN RODGERS  
FRANK SZALAY  
**POST 33 STEUBENVILLE**  
DALE BANKER  
ALFRED CARDUCCI  
NICK DRAZICH  
PAUL PYLE  
FRED VANKIRK  
JAMES YOUNG  
**POST 34 CADIZ**  
JAMES ONEIL  
WILLIAM SANDERS  
**POST 38 MARTINS FERRY**  
THOMAS AYERS  
EDWARD CONRAD  
GENE MILLER  
R RAIMONDE  
CARL STABILE  
HAROLD TIERNEY  
JOHN TOLAND  
DONALD WEIGAND  
**POST 39 POMEROY**  
JOHN BLAKE  
WILLIAM EDWARDS  
CHARLES EVANS  
RICHARD OWEN  
EDWARD VOSS  
TED WARNER  
**POST 40 RICHWOOD**  
JOHN HOSKINS  
DEWEY SHIRK  
**POST 41 NORWALK**  
RAYMOND BOYLE

WILLIAM BRADDOCK  
DONALD COE  
LOUIS HENDRICKSON  
SHIRLEY MACK  
LANCE ODELL  
WILLIAM SMITH  
**POST 43 TROY**  
JAMES CALVERT  
ROBERT SCHAEFER  
JOHN SHADE  
ROBERT WEHRLEY  
WESLEY WINTHROW  
**POST 44 CANTON**  
ROBERT BARRETT  
LYNN BURLESON  
EUGENE COOK  
CLYDE CORNETT  
NORMAN COX  
RONALD DEPASQUALE  
WILLIAM FARR  
DENNIS FRAME  
GENE GREMMINGER  
PAUL KURTZ  
TERRY LAZETTE  
JAMES LEAR  
ALAN MANDEL  
JOSEPH MARDYLA  
ARLIN MCCOURT  
DAVID MILLER  
WILLIAM NOGGLE  
DONALD PREACHER  
ROBERT REHRMAN  
EDWARD RICOSKY  
RICHARD SCHLEMMER  
GARLAND SMITH  
ROBERT STEWART  
PAUL WINTER  
**POST 45 BOWLING GREEN**  
RICHARD HOARE  
**POST 46 BELLEVUE**  
HOWARD FULTON  
ROBERT GARDNER  
JON MARTIN  
ANTHONY MIRA  
KEITH MYGRANT  
**POST 49 WILMINGTON**  
BERT ALLEN  
THOMAS GAUDEN  
RICHARD RILEY  
**POST 51 HUBBARD**  
H COOPER  
ROBERT CRAMER  
HELMUT GROSSEIBL  
DALE MCGEE  
DANIEL SAMPLE  
**POST 52 BELLAIRE**  
JOHN BUNFILL  
DAVID DEAN  
SHANE GALSTER  
ARTHUR JOSEPH  
ANTHONY LAGON  
DOMINIC PULITO  
**POST 56 SALEM**  
G RICHARDS  
**POST 58 SOMERSET**  
GEORGE HOLSINGER  
KENNETH SMITH  
EDISON WOLFE  
**POST 62 CHILLICOTHE**  
HAROLD COOK  
ALBERT CYDRUS  
ROBERT LANGLEY  
**POST 63 OTTAWA**  
HAROLD AGNER  
EUGENE DIEMER  
RALPH KAUFMAN  
DANIEL KUHLMAN  
VICTOR MORMAN  
DONALD RAMPE  
**POST 64 MARIETTA**  
LOWELL ANDERSON  
WILLIAM BARTH  
RICHARD BROOKS  
JOHN BUZZARD  
KELLY ELMORE  
GEORGE HENNING  
LARRY HIGGINS  
ROBERT JAEGER  
DONALD JONES  
RAYMOND LEASURE  
RALPH MARTIN  
CALVIN THOMAS  
MARK WILLIAMSON  
**POST 65 COSHOCTON**  
DAVID BLOOM  
BRADLEY BRILLHART  
WILLIAM GIVEN  
WILLIAM GOERZ  
ROBERT HAGANS  
GEORGE LEACH  
ROBERT MATHEWS  
CARLOS MOSSMAN  
DAVID STURTZ  
FRANCIS THOMASON  
**POST 68 WOOSTER**  
JAMES AIKEN  
MICHAEL FRANKS

CALVIN FRYE  
RICHARD GWIN  
ERNEST HARVEY  
HOWARD HERMAN  
CLYDE LAYFIELD  
RUFUS THOMPSON  
**POST 69 READING**  
ADRIAN DRURY  
WILLIAM MCCREARY  
THOMAS OMEARA  
THOMAS ROHLFS  
CHARLES SHORTER  
WALTER SNELL  
JOSEPH VILLARI  
JAMES WHITT  
**POST 71 ROSEVILLE**  
RICHARD RIDENOUR  
JOHN VANWEY  
**POST 72 MT CARMEL**  
RICHARD CMAR  
DALE DEWEESE  
PENDER LOVE  
ROBERT TAYLOR  
**POST 73 FOSTORIA**  
RICHARD BYERLY  
FRED COMBS  
WILLIAM YEAGER  
**POST 76 SEBRING**  
DERL SMITH  
**POST 77 NEFFS**  
CHARLES MCGARRY  
**POST 78 LOGAN**  
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BILL SPARKS  
**POST 79 MARYSVILLE**  
LLOYD MCDOWELL  
ARNIE NYMEYER  
**POST 81 JACKSON**  
JERRY MESSER  
**POST 83 SANDUSKY**  
SAM ANTHOS  
CARL BOURASSA  
JAMES BROCK  
KENNETH BROCKERT  
DUANE BUTLER  
ANGELO CAPIZZI  
STANLEY DEARTH  
FRANK DURSO  
HAROLD FLEWELLING  
STEPHEN GAST  
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J HENRY  
OSCAR HOLTZCLAW  
ROBERT HOYT  
HARRY HUSH  
BARNEY JACKSON  
RICHARD LEBER  
WAYNE LEMON  
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SAMUEL MARLOW  
ROBERT MCMURRAY  
WILLIAM MEDLEY  
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STEVE ROSIAR  
JOHN ROYAL  
JOSEPH RUDOLPH  
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CHARLES SINGER  
JOHN SNOBLE  
HERBERT THOMPSON  
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LOUIS WAGNER  
RAYMOND WARD  
ROBERT WINSON  
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ROBERT HACKER  
CHARLES JOHNSON  
ORVILLE LIEBLER  
C LILIENTHAL  
**POST 85 NEWARK**  
GARY BROWN  
JEFFREY CASTLE  
ELWIN DEWEY  
GLYNN PALMER  
JAMES PENICK  
JEFFERY RECTOR  
JOHN WALKER  
**POST 86 TORONTO**  
PATSY BERNABEI  
DALE BLANKENSHIP  
CHARLES CAMPBELL  
JAMES DEVLIN  
JOHN GOOCH  
JAMES OWENS  
CHARLES SCOTT  
**POST 88 ASHLAND**  
EUGENE BLASKEWICZ  
CLYDE BOWERSOCK  
GLENN BRINDLE  
RICHARD BUSH  
SUE DAVIS

DOUGLAS DEANE  
DON JOHNSON  
RICHARD MCDANIEL  
ETHEL MCKIM  
WILLIAM PEACH  
DONALD RUCH  
R WOLFE  
**POST 91 BERE**  
HUGH AREY  
JAMES ASTORINO  
THOMAS COOPER  
NICHOLAS CORENO  
DON DURIGG  
CECIL ELWOOD  
LORI HEINDEL  
LEWIS JAKE  
KEVIN MCCRAY  
THOMAS OAKLEY  
**POST 92 UTICA**  
GEORGE BALISH  
JAMES HAWKE  
ROBERT MARTIN  
TIMMY TEAL  
**POST 95 XENIA**  
GEORGE CIFELLI  
BRIAN CLEMONS  
LARRY COLE  
FRANKLIN RUE  
DAVID SPAHR  
BENJAMIN ULMER  
EARL WAGGONER  
**POST 96 LIMA**  
BOYD ARNOLD  
WILLIAM COLLINS  
ALLAN EVERSOLE  
LEWIS GASKILL  
TERRY GUDAKUNST  
WARREN KEELING  
DONALD LANGSTAFF  
HARRY MILNE  
TERRY OBRIEN  
MADELINE SCHOMER  
JULIANNE SCHOMER  
WILLIS SHERER  
ROBERT SHOCK  
SAMUEL STEINER  
JOSEPH STONE  
JAMES SWEENEY  
WILLIAM VERHEYEN  
ROBERT WAGNER  
**POST 97 CARDINGTON**  
RICHARD GOMPF  
**POST 98 COLUMBUS**  
MAX BIEDERMAN  
**POST 99 TOLEDO**  
ELLIOTT EDWARDS  
**POST 100 WEST UNION**  
HAROLD ALLEN  
**POST 101 LA RUE**  
ALLEN HABERMAN  
**POST 103 ASHTABULA**  
EDWARD BENTO  
ROBERT BLAIR  
WILLIAM CEVERA  
EUGENE DUVA  
VAUGHN HUNTER  
DONALD MAGINNIS  
RAYMOND MARVIN  
JACK MASSENGILL  
RALPH MEOLA  
PAUL MUELLER  
HARVEY MULDER  
LEONARD PEASPANEN  
LOUIS PENNA  
DALE SCHMIDT  
FRANK STARKEY  
**POST 104 SOUTH EUCLID**  
ANDREW CLARK  
**POST 105 LONDON**  
PAUL DAWSON  
GARRY GROVES  
ROBERT PRATER  
DONALD ZUCCO  
**POST 109 MONTPELIER**  
CARLTON ROCKWOOD  
**POST 110 TOLEDO**  
FRED ABAR  
**POST 112 MADISON**  
ANTHONY DAQUILA  
LARRY FULTS  
VINCENT LOPARO  
KEVIN SLUSHER  
GEORGE THEISS  
**POST 113 PORT CLINTON**  
JACK HOPFINGER  
FRANCES WAINIO  
HENRY WILLSON  
CHARLES WILSON  
**POST 114 OAK HARBOR**  
MELVIN HOOVER  
LARRY PENCE  
**POST 115 DELAWARE**  
RICHARD GORDIN  
JESSIE SHANK  
S EVERETT SMITH  
JOSEPH WOLTMAN  
**POST 116 BYESVILLE**  
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# HAPPY 99<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY AMERICAN LEGION!

We had our monthly meeting of the American Legion Clermont County Council 4th district of Ohio on March 19 2018. The meeting was held at Post 237 we are the oldest

charter in Clermont County and we're honored to have a 99th Birthday party for The American legion. We celebrated with a Country favorite Fried Chicken strips Fried potato wedges Cole

slaw and of course a cake made by our local bakery. All Veterans are welcome to join us going into our 100th year of The American Legion.



From Left to right we have our Gifts for Yanks chairman George Monroe, County 1st vice commander, Sgt of Arms State of Ohio Bob Derr, Post 237 Commander Gary Lytle, County Commander Ron Hartman, County Adjutant Don Chandler, County Finance officer Ray Carson, Past State of Ohio Commander Ron 'Chappy' Chapman, Sgt of Arms Greg Brown



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Panama Dec. 20, 1989 - Jan. 31, 1990	WWII Dec. 7, 1941 - Dec. 31, 1946
Lebanon / Grenada Aug. 24, 1982 - July 31, 1984	WWI April 6, 1917 - Nov. 11, 1918
Vietnam War Feb. 28, 1961 - May 7, 1975	* If currently serving on active duty today, you are eligible.

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## 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Department of Ohio American Legion Golf Outing

Saturday, August 11 & Sunday, August 12, 2018



4 Person Scramble

Host District: 12<sup>th</sup> District

2 Foxfire Golf Courses

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Columbus, OH 43228  
614.539.4748

Post Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Captain's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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Entry Fee of \$80.00 Per Golfer Must be submitted with Entry. Open to ALL of the Legion Family

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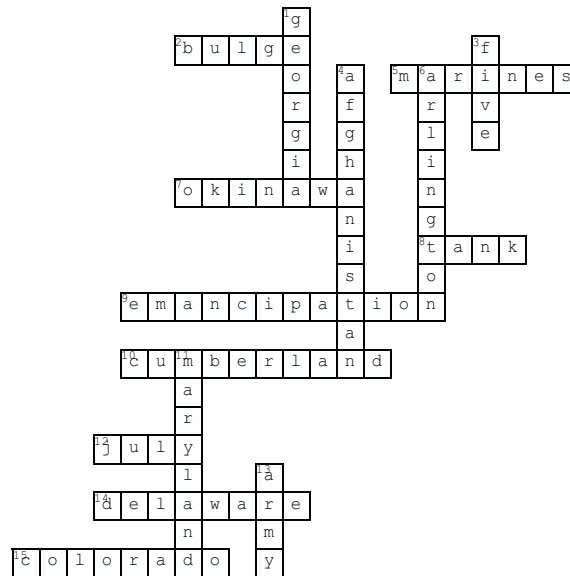
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Attn: Glenn Hickman  
P.O. Box 1374  
Columbus, OH 43216

For more information call (614) 906-6796

## Americanism Crossword Key

### OLN Spring 2018

Complete the crossword below



### Across

- The Battle of the \_\_\_\_\_ was the largest battle fought on the Western Front in Europe during World War II (bulge)
- Their motto, 'Semper Paratus' (often abbreviated as Semper Fi), means 'always faithful' (marines)
- This U.S. Military base was won as a result of the last major battle in Japan. (okinawa)
- This modern vehicle was invented to circumvent trench warfare. (tank)
- The \_\_\_\_\_ Proclamation is an executive order that was issued by President Lincoln in 1863. (emancipation)
- The \_\_\_\_\_ was the name of the ship which sank during the Battle of Hampton Roads. (cumberland)
- The United States celebrates its independence each year on the 4th day of this month. (july)
- The name of the first official American State. (delaware)
- The U.S. Air Force Academy is located in this state (colorado)

### Down

- This southeastern state was the last to return to the Union after the Civil War. (georgia)
- The U.S. Military is made up of how many fighting branches? (five)
- U.S. Armed forces invaded this country following the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. (afghanistan)
- National U.S. Military Cemetery Located in Virginia. (arlington)
- The United States Naval Academy is located in this State. (maryland)
- The first branch of the U.S. Armed Forces to be created. (army)



## 2019 & 2020 HOSTS NEEDED

The Department Golf Commission Is looking for sites to hold the 2019 and 2020 State Golf Classic. If interested in hosting this two-day event please contact Christie White at Department Headquarters for more information.





## LEGION FAMILY: IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION FOR LEGIONCARE NO-COST-TO-YOU BENEFIT\*

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### THERE IS NO COST TO YOU

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- This coverage is Underwritten by Transamerica Premier Life Insurance Company, (Cedar Rapids, IA), and paid for by The Legionnaire Insurance Trust.

### YOUR COVERAGE IS EFFECTIVE WHILE YOU ARE TRAVELING ON OFFICIAL LEGION FAMILY BUSINESS

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- Your Department has arranged this coverage at No Cost to you because of the need for this type of protection and the recognition that many Members may not have enough protection.

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